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(Copied) Benjamin Torin Esqr.

&c. &c. &c.

Tanjore

Sir,

I transmit the Receipts &

required by your letter of the 17th. instan

with an explanatory register which wil

I hope prevent every kind of trouble -

I have the honor to be

Sir

your very obedient Ser

Pondicherry
25th. April 1800 -

(Signed) T.B. Hurd

Col.

Copy of register is in the bundles of letters Sent -

(Copied) John Casamajor Esqr.

Commercial Resident

Sir

Tinnevelly -

I have your favor of the 24th. and should b

very happy to supply Str. Pags. for your investment - a

can a proportion of them & Cully fanams but my Co

tions afford nothing Current in your part of the wor

save Porto nova Pags. - in any number - the very few

fanams I have are Generally reserved for the paymaster

I have to request you will send your indent

the balance of Cash on the sum mentioned in Mr. Renow

letter of the 3rd Feby. is fully ready and shall be delivered

[to] the last advance to the shroff you may think proper

send for it -

I am Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(signed) T. B. Hurdis

Dindigul

[?]th April 1800.

(Copied) William Petrie Esqr. President

&ca Members of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I was honoured with the commands of your Board respecting Mootoo Vee Pillah [illegible] [illegible] Travers under date 18th March - The Delayed to a time he was entrusted

brought him to Dinde-
-gul

2 The complaints of the
man were always attend-
ed to - but as he never
could in any respect
whatever either by him-
self or family produce
any evidence whatso-
ever in substantiation no credence was
given to his stories of
which his relations
in June 1798 declared
their utter ignorance
and astonishment

3 The debt said to be recovered
from Mootao Veera Pillai
on account of his father
- was ~~for~~ awarded
against Mootoo Veera
Pillai by a punchayet
consisting of Tingaree
Mootoosawmy Iyen - Ahm-
-alao Chitty - Venkelly
Naig - Ameer Hussain
Putnool, Cobu Chitty
and Woomia Pu...

Chenpoo - this award were made on the production of the bond of Moottoo Veerahs father - and an agreement given by himself after the death of his father for payment thereof - as a collateral security for the same sum - the award was for Cally Chs. 13.3.5 - Cally Chuckrams thirteen three fanams & five Cash -

~~Inquisition to Enmay to your Board - that the award was understood to be right - and that at the time - the [illegible] affixed Moottoo Veerah declared the obligation to abide by it - he did not utter any complaint of its being unjust -~~

4 The first time I saw Moottoo Veerah was in Oct. 1796 - he com-plained to me that the principal Bram

of Pensacola him had procu
=red the Indians to plunder
his house at Pensacola he
-quested on him to
substantiate his accu
sation - both verbally
and by order - but he
could not do it - ~~and~~
~~[illegible]~~ offered to ~~[illegible]~~
his undergo an ordeal
of putting his hand into
boiling Ghee - but Logie
wholly
this made of appeal &
as ~~the would~~ gave no
sort of proof - and indeed
never attempted any
the business was passed
over -

5 In December 1797
he was urgent to have
his claims ~~[illegible]~~ on [illegible]
people for 9906-$ - settle
of these claims no one
save himself was [illegible]
ed - nor could be though
especially directed and
Date Decr. 23r. 1797 to
name those who kne
of the matter - and
to give in his discurse

he and the opposed of
every enquiry to spirit the
money - produce one docu
ment or witness to prove
the existence of a claim - he

be a from this time until
June 1798 - I heard no
more of him - on the
25th he was

was dissatisfied that
I would not for charity
sake give him what he
required - threatened me
with the displeasure of
Washington - and the
Board of Treasury (grew
noisy and scurrilous - and
was turned out of the
Exchange -

6 I neither heard of him
afterwards until June
1798 - when he appeared
with an envelope
covering a Petition
which had been
presented to the
Board - and which

he said was a Token
to me to recover his
Property — On the 26th
June — Again by a written
Order as specific as
possible required evidence
stating how the whole
of the contents of the
Petition ~~with one~~
~~exception which~~ I
~~noted~~ in the first part were false — and
that unless he could
better substantiate
his claims — he had nothing
to expect from me —
he said he would go
again & complain to
the Board of Revenue
he would not take
back the Petition —
which has been with
me ever since —
7 From that time until
the other day when I
was at Madras I knew
nothing of him — but
as I was getting on
horseback one morning
in Mr Webbs lane said we
to the best of my recollection

on the 16th January -
he came in the yard an
said he had been to the
Gentlemen of the Board
- I listened no further
and rode away from him

8 On the 5th inst:
Repeated my order for
evidence & documents
in obedience to the order of
and gave time to the
6th of May to produce
them - or name those
that I might bring them
in - but instead of
doing either the one
thing or the other he
tells me "if the property
"be recovered it will
"be the Companys when
"he dies - and as he
"has given a satisfac
"tory answer to all
"the questions put to
"him in the Commit
"and Board of Governors
"begs that I will give
"the Poor man an

"answer - swearing he
"will wait until God
"keep favor upon him" -

9 Gentlemen this
man for a similar sort
of attempt some since
had was whipped out
of Syd Sahebs Durbar
- his Brother and Rela
-tions - and the accused
parties have declared
they know nothing of
the matter he mentions
- and I have myself
in questioning found
him so unsteady
the effects of Boney - so
frivolous & vexatious
that when I saw him
in June 1798 - I told
him if he came to
me again without
the means of giving
proof himself or of
shewing how it might
be given I would
treat him as Syd Saheb
had done - the Eipha

have to the orders of
Your Board prevented
my fulfilling my pro=
=mise — and I am yet
at a loss to decide whe=
ther folly - knavery - treachery
or opinion has the chief
influence of his conduct

I am sorry to intrude
so long on your Board
but as the relation of
all I know regarding my
Master Pinot Sebah
appeared to me necessary
I have detailed it concise=
ly as possible

I have the honor
to be with the greatest
respect — Gentlemen
Your most obt
humble Servt

Deptford
27th April
1800 -

Major Macaulay

&c. &c. &c.

Sir

I have had the honor of receiving your favor of the 27th instt. and enclosures - It gives me much pleasure to hear my tahsuldar has acquitted himself to your satisfaction -

As the a doubt never existed with me of ye guilt of Poojaury naigue - I am happy that the enquiry was made not only because it rids us of another of the ban=ditti but because the impression it must make on the Collerees and the yet untaken associates of the naigue and Alwar pillah - may be productive of good -

The ryots recovering from the effect of the system of terror established generally by the Poligars will now step forward to accuse those who are guilty of predatory & murderous conduct instead of screening them as heretofore - and thence be the means of ensuring protection to themselves under cover of the law -

The condemnation of this offender will I trust keep quiet the Southern & Eastern parts of the Dindigul province - but the root of Calamity yet remains in the Verupatchie Poligar - 'tis incompatible with peace & good order that this Poligar should remain in his [illegible]

under -

under any name - or exercising any power whatever -

I have the honor to be Sir

April 28th
1800 -

Your very Obedient humble Servant

(signed) T. B. Hurdis -

Collector -

(Copied) John Casamajor Esquire

Commercial Resident

Palamcottah

Sir, Enclosed I have the honor of sending the account of expences attending the transmission of Cash to Tennevelly for the use of your factory

I beg the favor of a bill for the amount or I will include it in the next indent you may send - with the charges on that also if you prefer it.

I have the honor to be Sir, &c &c

Matepollam

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis

30th April 1800.

Collector

(Copied) Mr. John Kenworthy Commercial Resident at Tinnavelly ------ Dr.

To hire paid the 40 Gollah peons for carriage of 40 Bags of P. N. Pagodas from Dindigul to Tinnavelly at 22 Cully fanams each is C. Chu. 88	
To Batta paid the Havildar's guard for escorting Cash from Dindigul to Tinnavelly as ₽ accompanying bill Madras fanams ----	404 „ 20
Total C. Chu. 88 Mfs. 404 „ C. 20	

88 Cully Chu^s. Exchange at Cully fan^s. sixteen and three Annas ℘ Star Pagoda are — — 54„ 16„ 28

— „ 404„ 20

Matepollam
30 April
1800

Total Star Pagodas 54„ 420„ 48

Errors Excepted ℘

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

(Copied) Robert Woolf Esqr
Accountant General —

Sir/

1 Your letter of the 22nd April received 28th. — and as it is my wish to have every thing clear as possible I beg leave to trouble you on the following heads — to which I request an answer as early as possible

2 1st You have directed that the totals of Receipts in the treasury account shall exactly correspond with those in the Acct of Demand Collection & Balance

~~As there is in the D C & B no head for Carnatic Ch~~ 3 " I cannot understand how the totals ~~to be so~~ of the two accounts are

to be compared - under the present form the treasury account & the Demand Collection & Balance cannot agree either in particular or aggregate total - because the last column in the present form being "Rents falling due next month or to the end of sept month" - is not made progressive - - that is there is no corresponding column in the DCB of the subsequent month to shew the Demand of the Current Revenue of the Month - the Collection or balance -

4 Hence I take the liberty of sending a form for the DCB - in which I have ~~entered~~ raised the head "Current Rents" - Whence the Demand and Collections (if made clear) will Item by Item correspond with the same Items as entered in the treasury account -

5 Since I have been a Collector
I have never entered in my Treasury
accounts any sum or sums whatever
but such as have actually been
stopped &
received into my treasury. The
mode government now direct has
always been invariably practised
by me - and the business of my
~~Custom~~house is in no one instance
expedited or facilitated by the direc-
tions you have now sent me.

6 On the contrary the trouble
of the DBB is increased by the
necessary addition of ~~eight~~ two columns
and ~~formerly~~ the Board of Revenue
requiring a DBB as well as your
Office (independent of the Board
condition order) the trouble is
more than double what it
was in this ~~ca~~ instance alone

7 In every respect it is my
wish to expedite the business
of accounts as well to receive any

own office as to assist yours — but it
is decidedly impossible for me to
forward the accounts of the preceding
by the 10th of the succeeding month
and I should hold myself unjust to both
your office and my own did I give you
expectations therein too impossible
to realize —

8 It is clear to me that the
abstract statement the form of which
were sent under date 5th April 1798
will answer every purpose of informa
:tion — for the official year — save for the establishment expense — but
whether it may be sufficient or not
for your ~~[illegible]~~ I can not determine —

9 the Statement E. takes up only
time to extract and copy it the assump
tion that the statement alone being
executed with so considerably lessen the
business of my office as to enable me
to transmit the annual accounts
one month sooner than heretofore
can not be maintained — I feel

the impossibility of it - even more
the accounts conducted on the old System
and more particularly when the Civil
Auditor requires that all the regulations
established by the Board of Revenue for the
conduct of accounts be attended to - for his
office - and by which it appears to me
that a second fair set of accounts is necessary
to him -

10 - With every wish [illegible]
to execute all orders - I beg leave to
propose in case to my office that
the Board of Revenue would from
their office to join the DCKs - as
formerly to their own accountants -
and that either - the whole of
the monthly accounts under the
proposed alteration ~~now~~ notified in
your letter of the 22nd inst: be sent
thro' you to the Civil Auditor
or the Military Paymaster send
their accounts through the Military
Paymaster General to the Military
: ary Auditor General - / or that

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the details wholly on the Debit side of the account be sent to you and the details wholly on the credit side of the account be sent to the Civil Auditor — this probably may give the effect of expedition in the transmission of accounts and by keeping the order distinct and clear will prevent mistakes —

12 — I have now to assure you that no exertion of mine shall be wanting to execute every order you may send for my guidance — and to request an answer to this letter as soon as possible —

11 ~~the Bills~~ for advances made to the different departments were drawn in favor of the Board of Revenue, is that form to be continued, or are the bills to drawn in future in favor of the

Sub treasurer to Government &c. &c. to whom they are to be sent! —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedt servt
humble Ser

Matepollam
30th April
1800

Captn. Frederick Prescot
Commissary &c.
Trichinoply

Sir,

I have the pleasure of transmitting the enclosed extract for your information — and to request the favor of you to direct the Tumbril to be sent to me at Darapoor — all expences attending I will defray —

In making this request I am aware that the present authority is not full — but as it marks what will come from Government on the subject — if you can comply directly with my wish — it will further the service and confer an obligation on me

I will be obliged by your sending a bill of such expences as may be incurred

I have the honor to be Sir, &c. &c.

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

Matepollam
2nd May 1800

Major Worsock

Comg - 1st Battalion 14th Regiment -

Sir

I have received your favor of the 3d instant - I was regularly apprized of the sepoys (now understood belonging to your Battalion) being confined at Nuttum - this they owe to themselves alone - for had they in the first instance produced their Chits - they would not have been stayed - they neither would declare who they were - nor to what Battalion they belonged -

There is an order throughout the districts under me to stop all sepoys who do not produce passports - and under that order they were taken - reference was made to me - and on my understanding they had Chits and were on the recruiting service they were not only released but an order was sent to assist them in furtherance of their object -

In future should any of your sepoys be on such service - previous to sending them out - have the goodness to direct them to produce their passports to such of the Tahsildars in my districts that demand it - otherwise delay may be caused in that service which I should be happy to further by all the means in my Power -

I

I have the honor to be
Sir
Dendigul your very obedient Servant
4th May 1800. (Signed) T.B. Hurdis
Cdr.

(Copied) William Petrie Esquire President
&c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

1 - - - - - - Your Secretary's letter of the 28th April with enclosure I have just now received and loose not one moment in requesting that your Board will direct the person of Tremalien to be sent under a secure guard to my Cacharee - as I have every reason to believe that man to be the Iyengar predaun to Vellaida Naigue of whom the records of Mr. Wynch's management make so much mention

2 - - - - - The security of this man is of the utmost consequence as (if he be the Iyengar) it is in his power to develope more pointedly and connectedly the intregues of Verapatchee and Mootoo Sherogar in which he has borne both a confidential and an active part - as well for their interest as to save his own immediate Master Vellaida Naig

3 - - - - Still presuming this man is the Iyengar I have at different times intercepted letters sent from him by the hands of his relations - to the Gours of the Pylney district and to some of the most turbulent in the then Sultan's country - the first intercepted was taken from his relation

relation Coopah during the time the detachment was against Tomba Gour - in December 1796 & January 1797

4 ---- The letters were however very imperfect - and contained a sort of correspondence that appeared to have been agreed on, to prevent any one - save those directly - concerned, understanding the full extent of their meaning their general tenor is to assure those to whom he writes of his success in the business he was upon and to bid them have confidence in his firmness & perseverance.

5 ---- Should this man not have left Madras - I have to hope your Board will direct him to be sent under a Guard - for it is not to be supposed he will come to - Dindigul when the Verapatchee Pollam is open to every one who has incurred the displeasure of the Sirkar.

6 ------ Within these few days the Poligar has granted an Asylum to Chinna Gour of Kangyem who with twenty armed men his followers was on the 28th at - Callimunda in his Pollam

7 ---- This man is a relation of the notorious - Tomba Gour - and was with Shakra Gour the murderer - of the nine Gours of Kangyem on the 5th May 1799 - after the district has been taken - and the fall of Seringapatam proclaimed

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect

Gentlemen,

Your &c &c

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

Matepollam
3 May 1800

4th May—

(Copied) My dear Sir,

Your favor of the 29th— I have this instant— and you may be assured in every practicable case I will compress the details as much as possible— but as each talook differs from another throughout— It is necessary each should be seperate

Does your question respecting the deduction of Pill-terse in the Enaum account— relate to the Statement— sent with the Report— and which particularizes Darapoor— or to the General Statement— sent with the remaining details the other day? viz 15th April?

The explanation of it I think may be seen in the details of Poodooppa whence you will perceive in Shendalyapollam that it does not rank among the waste lands. I would give you the explanation in detailed application— but the papers are with my Cacharee at present— you shall also have a Glossary but I thought it needless to send one.

The references to the Statements with the report— from each paragraph to each Statement— and from each Statement to each paragraph are particularly noted— I fancy the great inconvenience arises from your time being too much engaged to examine them steadily and acurately—

The last Statements required no reference whatever— they were only sent as dehwar registers—

to.

registers – to shew whence the Talookwar Statement came the only thing that they might have been necessary for was to shew clearly the average value of the land

Very truly Yours

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis

J. B. Travers Esquire

&c. &c. &c.

(Copied)

Darapoorum
Tippoos Barcez for 1208 } 11100 7.. 5.. 4/2
as ? accounts shew found

Darapoorum for 1209 — — 55117. 7.. 4

Allagamala ditto
or Dewan Darapoor — — 48963. 8.. 15/2

104081. 5.. 15/2

Thus it stands when taken right – that is the two in one – for both are Darapoorum –

Now informing 1208 – an hamlet of the Village Dewenelloor Gynaputty was left out of the Settlement – in consequence of disputes whether belonging to Pulladum or Darapoor its pathen was collected and entered in the Sevoy Jumma – had it been entered in the Settlement it would have been thus

Barcez — 111007. 5. 4/2

Ganaputty of Dewanelloor } — 867. 1. 11

Total 111874. 6. 15/2

and on the above total ought according to these appear-ances the Settlement for 1209 to have been made – but

an examination of the Dewar accounts asserted by the Curnums & Shambogues -

These appeared in Darapoor & allagamalla an increase including yellacaud of — 11859. 6. 6

making with the former Bazeez a total of — 123734. 3. 7½

to which add Jellesputty which in 1208 were called a pollam but discovered to be a Sirkar Village and therefore included in the Dewar account in 1209 of the Sultans Bazeez — 2048. 9. 1

Grand total 1,25,783. 2. 8½

From this the sepulme and shroff taxes according to the Dehwar accounts from the Curnums & Shambogues must be deducted —

These — Sepulme 13868. 3. 5 } 21701. " "
Shroff do. 7833. 3. 4 }

leaving a balance of — 104081. 5. 15½

of which belongs

to Darapoor — 55117. 7. }
allagamalla 48963. 8. 15½ } —

making the above aggregate the Bazeez of Tippoo —

from

from which the Settlement for 1209 was formed -

Dear Cockburn, I hope the above will give you all you want - by want - by making all clear - I think you will see I have lost nothing by it -

I could not have reference to my report on the partial Settlement without involving a detail great beyond any thing - the difficulty arises from the seperation of the talooks - which goes down even to fields - N. & South of the Noyil - and accrues to Shedapollam formed from part of Coimbatore & Avanashee - Palladum - which takes part of old ootcule - Kangyem which gives up to Perindore Arrvarcourchee & Caroor to Erroad -

And Indeed any reference to the Sultauns accounts otherwise than to endeavour to discover from them something must be useless - I have by me several - but each disagrees with the other -

You will recollect - that Tipo Barrez is not what was collected - to a certainty the Hootwali accounts admitted by the Sirkar never amounted to more than (in my opinion) 37 p^r Cent - of the Barrez - and by the last six months experience - I am sure I have overrated Darapoor & allagamala - Palladum & Kangyem - I dont mean to say that there will be heavy balances - but I am sure partially too much will be taken from them - tho my D. C. B. shows you I get on partly well -

Let your Secy. should not find out the meaning of Pill turea from my letter to him — It does not signify waste land — but land that is kept for Grass for Cattle — for which the Ryots pay — tis not in the details as I thought — the amount entered in the Exam Statement viz Dolla 1582. . 7 Cents for Cantybhi; P. as 380. 7. 15. — this is a detail not in deduction but in explanation to distinguish it from the land actually Cultivated, and thence carried into the Jummabundy as what the Sirkar is to get for it —

I will I have given you the explanation in the report — to have saved him the trouble of writing on it —

I hope to have finished here soon — all the Hindoo details are done —

your ever sincerely
(signed) Wm. Hurdis

Pillachee
7th. 11 B. m

Leonard has sent me your note you may be sure I will

(Copied) Cecil Smith Esqre.
Civil Auditor

Sir

I have received your letters of the 15th. and 30th. April — the latter the 7th. instant —

you may be assured I will endeavour to follow your directions in every respect but the transmission of the accounts to your office by the 3d. of each succeeding Month.

Month is absolutely impracticable –

Your assumption of the sufficiency of two days to complete the account Current – on the principle that such sums only as have been received in the Cash Chest and disbursed thence in the Course of the Month are to be entered does not apply to my Collections –

My Cacharie of itself makes no Collection save from the Poligars –

The Invoices of Cash from the talook are generally shroffed and received from the 13th to the 27th and the Jumma Khurch accounts are always in from the Tasuldars by the 29th or 30th –

There are the details of fourteen sets of accounts to be translated ere my accounts can be formed – and besides myself I have only one writer who can put them into English – distant as I am obliged to be from Dindigul – I have to examine his translation with the Hindoo accounts and return them to Dindigul for copying fair – they are then sent to me for signature and by me to Madras –

This must apply to what your office requires – as it did under the old system – and when you reflect that the business is increased on the Collector whatever may be assumed to the contrary I think you will see the impossibility with every wish & inclination thereto of sending the accounts at the time you require them –

I enclose copy of a letter to the accountant General - whence you will perceive how far I think it practicable to comply with his orders—

As I am convinced it is your wish to ease the department whilst you require dispatch I shall be obliged by your considering both what I have sent to the Accountant General and now written to you - you may be assured no unnecessary delay that I can prevent shall happen—

I am Sir
your most obedient Servant
(signed) W.B. Hardie
Coll.r

Pellachee
8th May 1800
21 miles east from
Paulghautchery

(Copied) Robert Hughes Esqr.
Paymaster &c
Madura

Sir

Not having received your bills for the amount of cash advanced to your agent for the Current Month - I have to beg you will send them payable at sight - and in future on no account whatever delay their transmission beyond the 4th of the Month—

I have also to beg of you to let me know the amount of your subsequent months indent on or before the 10th Current - it will always be in your power to ascertain within one thousand St. Pags. how much you may want - and it inconveniences me to make

disbursements after the 10th of the month on account of the receipt of Revenue—

I am Sir

&c &c

(signed) W. Hurdis

Collr.

Pillachee

9th May 1800

(Copied) William Jones Esqr.

Subtreasurer &c &c

Fort St. George

Sir

Enclosed I have the pleasure of sending bill No 36. dated 5th May - for St. Pagodas twenty six thousand seven hundred & seventy - by the Madura Paymaster on the Military Paymaster General in favor of Revenue the receipt of which be pleased to acknowledge—

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

(signed) W. Hurdis

Collr.

Pillachee

21 miles east of

Paulghautcherry

10th May 1800

(Copied) William Petrie Esqr President

&c. Members of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the honor of enclosing letter from my assistant Mr. Randall and copy of the surgeons certificate - and being convinced of the truth of Mr. Randalls unfitness for his present situation - I beg leave to recommend his request being complied with in its fullest extent -

I have given Mr. Randall leave to go to the coast - but the acceptance of his resignation is not for me to determine on -

I have the honor to be with great respect -

Gentlemen

your very obedient

humble Servant

(signed) W. Hudis

Coll.^r

Bellachee

11.^t May 1800

(Copied) Mr. Benjamin Randall -

Assistant Collector

Sir

I have received your letter with its enclosures both of which I have forwarded to the Board of Revenue - from conviction of your unfitness for your present situation I have recommended it to the Board that your request be complied with in its fullest extent -

I have apprized the Board that I have complied with your request in permitting you to go to the Coast - but as that time is indefinite - I think it necessary to tell you that my permission extends only to such places as are South of the Coleroon -

you will therefore inform me to which of those places you intend going - that I may acquaint you with the determination of the Board - on your request - soon as possible -

I am Sir
&c &c
(Signed) W. Hurdis
Coll^r.

Pillachee
11th May 1800

(Copied) Edward Campbell Esqr.
&c &c
Nevoor

Sir

I am this moment favored with yours of the 11th. - and whilst regretting that your people should have had their property endangered - I rejoice all its recovery & security -

The Culprits - for the apprehension of whom I am obliged to you, I have directed to be sent to Dindigul - I have to request receipt from the China man for the property Recovered - and the names of the evidences - to the whole business -

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) W. Hurdis
Coll^r.

Pillachee
13th May 1800

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(Copied) J. G. Ravenshaw Esqre

Assistant Collector

Dindigul.

Sir,

Enclosed I send you the Tinnevelly Residents Indent for Cash amounting to S. Pag^s. 71047. 6. 62½ – You will direct the supply to be made entirely in New Porto Novo Pagodas at the same rate of exchange as the former advance was made – and you will see that the Invoice is made precisely in the same manner – taking as before the Shroffs receipt for the advance – and placing them under the guard that may be supplied to escort the Treasure –

From the amount of this Indent you will deduct the amount charges transmission of the former advance – according to my letter of the 30th April to the Resident – and the amount charges that may accrue on the transmission of the present – calculating the hire of the Cullahs whom you will procure to carry it as before – and batta of the Sepoys according to the abstract that may be furnished by Lieu^t Col. Innes – You will give the same Orders as were before given the Officer in charge with any additional that may occur to you as likely to ensure its safe arrival. –

I send letter enclosed to Lieu^t Colonel Innes who will of course furnish such Guard for its escort as he deems sufficient – my letter puts him in possession of all information I have as to the safety of the Road. Read – Seal and Send it. –

I am Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) J. B. Hurdis

Collector

Pillachee

14th May 1800

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Lieut. Colonel James Innes.

Comm.g

Dindigal

Sir

On the preceeding page is transcribed Copy of letter from the Commercial Resident of Tinnevelly. The Amount Cash now to be sent according to his Indent is equal to S.Pag. 71047. 6. 62½ (Seventy-one Thousand and Forty Seven Mysla fanams Six Cash. sixty two & ½) – The Gollahs for Carrying it will be between eighty and Ninety. –

I have to request the favor of you to furnish such guard as, considering Mr. Casamajors information of the safety of the Road, you may deem Sufficient to escort it to the Tinnevelly Factory in Safety. –

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Obdt. Servant
(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

Pillachee
..th May 1800

(speedy)

Robert Hughs Esqr.

Paymaster &c.

Madura

Sir,

Subjoined is extract from the Accountant General dated 10th May. –

"The bills for Advances to Paymasters &c. to be drawn "in favor of the Subtreasurer!" –

To the which I beg your strict attention. –

I have the honor to be
Sir
your very Obedient Servant
(Signed ... B. Hurdis
Collector

Pelachee
..th May 1800

(Copied) 35 ~~34~~

John Casamajor Esq.re

Commercial Resident

Tinnevelly

Sir,

Subjoined is extract from the Accountant General dated 10th May.–

"The bills for Advances to Paymasters &c.a – to be "drawn in favor of the Subtreasurer"

To the which I beg your strict attention.–

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your very Obedient Servant

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis.

Collector

Palamcottah
15th May, 1800

20th May

My dear Sir

I have your favor of the 10th

The crimes of the Verapatchee Poligar – and his Correspondence with me are before Government – when he offers unconditional surrender of himself to me – I shall report it to Govt. – the letter he has sent you – is nearly a complete falshood – every Cowle & orders that lenity & justice could dictate he has received – both from me as Collector – & through me from authority – the letter he has sent to you is a low subterfuge – situated as this Poligar & the Sirkar are – – I have to request that you will receive no letters from him or have communication with him – as if inclined to Obedience the road is perfectly open to him –

I enclose you extract of the G.O. of the 10th Decr. 1794 — to which I beg your attention.

I am obliged to you for the present Commu-nication which I shall directly report to Government — as it tends to shew points with which you are unacquainted in stronger light than I could have expected to have proof of.

I am very much obliged to you for your attention to the poor cow — and I will thankfully repay you for any expence you or the native Doctor may have been at for them — in future when such instances occur any assistance you can afford I will be very thankful for —

The tahseeldar has an order on the subject which I fancy will discompose him a little — these fellows really have no feeling whatever —

I am my Dear Sir
very sincerely yours
(signed) W. Hurdes

Capt. McAlly
&c. &c.
Columbum —

(Copied) ~~William~~ Petrie Esqr. President
&c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the honor of enclosing copy and translate of Letter from the [illegible]

Polygar to Captn. McAlly commanding at Columbum - which that Gentleman did me the favor of sending to me -

2 - In comment on this letter so far as regards ~~himself~~ myself - I have to say that no offer whatever directly or indirectly from the Polygar has been made to me since my last communication on the subject to your Board -

3 - The sincerity of the Polygar may be estimated perhaps by his persisting in falsehoods - but when I ~~tell you~~ inform your Board that since the 28th of April the Polygar has had in his Pollam five men from Dhoondiah - it may occur to your Board that this indirect offer of payment of Rent is only a cover for further subterfuge -

4 - Of the truth of this there is not a doubt - but whether these people came from Dhoondiah ~~as sent by him~~ uninvited to Verapatchee - or whether invited they came - I know not to a certainty - but I have every reason to believe that they were invited - because I have information that Timmichi Modelly the former Vakeel from Verpatchee to the Sultan

-ligents - was sent after the folk of Seringa-
-patam into the Colapore Rajahs country
with whom it was said Dhoondiah was.

5 Timmeche Modely some informed
came back about the time of the
arrival of these five men - from Bolla-
-ghaut - and has since disappeared - but
whither gone - I have not as yet been
able to trace -

6 Of the five Men - four are Mussul-
mans - and were formerly Amils of the
Sultans - the fifth is a principal
Puttukar - of Hangyun who fled from
thence with the second chief - after the
murder of the same ^ Jouns and went with
him to Dhoondiah - with whom until
his return hither he remained -

7 There are hopes of getting informa-
tion from the Hangyun Jour (Chinnan) -
as to the nature of this visit from Dhoondiah -
the which ^ (if successful) your Board shall be speedily
apprized of - In the mean time I have

to remark that the influence of Verapatchee by means of Samnad pillah the son of Mootoo Theagar – has increased over the Cummavandy Polygar so much as to render him – with every profession of obedience decidedly disobedient to the orders of the Sirkar – his third and fourth kists are in arrears –

8 The same influence by means of Caudan the murderer of the Cuttambaddy Polygar on the 11th Sept. 1798 – have I fear ~~influenced~~ caused the Raneh of Dellikottee to be indifferent to her engagements with the Sirkar –

9 Your Board are in possession of my opinion of Verapatchee – and of the conduct that ought, if possible, to be pursued against him –

I have the honor to be with

the greatest respect

Gentlemen

Your very obedient

humble Servt.

Pollachee
20th. May –
1800 –

(Copied) Robert Woolf Esqre

Accountant General

Sir,

I have the honor of Sending the General Abstract Statement for the Official Year — Comparative Statement for the same and Estimate of probable Receipts and disbursements for the Year 1800/1. —

These several accounts will I trust be found Correct. —

I am Sir

Your very Obedient Servant

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis

Collector

Shamalapooram
Near Coimbatore
May 27th 1800

P.S. the details of Charges are on a seperate enclosure. —

(Signed) T. B. H.

(Copied) William Petrie Esqre President

& Members of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

Received the commands of your Board dated 17th May, covering the orders of Govt. [illegible] dated 9th through Mr Secretary Powney at Coimbatore on the 24th inst. —

to which place I went on the removal of my cutcherie from Pittacherie to Shevaulputtoor to inspect the forts — Having been privately apprized by Major General Brodie of the intentions of Government —

2 The fort at Columbum is not tenable nor would any expence put it in the least respectable state of defence — it can be considered in none other light than as a ~~check~~ place to keep together the sepoys placed there as a check on the eastern and western Poligars in the center of whom it is situated —

3 As above for the present party there is one wretched choultry the commandant uses as a quarter for himself and a small choultry belonging to a pagoda is used as a place for arms — for the sepoys there is no ~~place~~ cover of any description whatever —

4 The building accomodation for the party in a place like Columbum is in my opinion throwing away money — at present the party is absolutely necessary ~~at~~ that place — and whilst the disobedience of Punjoteher is so manifest as to cause indications of great impropriety on the part of the Dellee & the Ennugalum Poligars I conceive it should be made stronger than it is at present —

5 — For so long a time therefore as the party may be necessary I submit the propriety of

incurring the temporary expence of batta ~~rather~~ in order that they may house themselves – rather than expending a sum to build barracks in a place which when the disobedience of Verapatchee is effectually checked and the Shakraphery polygars confirmed in their obedience, will be no longer in esspay or a post

6 — The party however should in this event be sent to Darapooram – and ~~in~~ at that place barracks should be built for three companies – not in the fort which is a ruin but as a small cantonment – materials for the building of which (excepting timbers, bamboos and tiles) would be found in the old walls – and the expence would not perhaps exceed one years batta to the men of the companies and the total of the probable saving I might make in the reduction of two of the taluk cacheries – which from being more efficient than now in the means of coercion – I should probably be able to do –

7 The Huzzoor cacheree with all its officers must ~~be removed~~ in order to expedite business be removed to Darapooram – which in every respect in point of situation is preferable to Dindigul – the treasury – in which ~~between two & three lacs of~~ pagodas have been this year for some

~~tura~~ – ~~said~~ is – and will be a very large
and probably increasing sum – and the mode of its disposal ought not to
be entrusted to a small or casual guard –
in a foreign country – ~~and~~ ~~which~~ after
checking effectually the disobedience of
Veerapatcher &c ~~and~~ I submit the propriety
of carrying this arrangement into execution
8 It is to be observed that the present
expence tho apparently small is, and will be, almost ~~a~~
constant ~~expence~~ whereas if the above
suggestion be approved the expence will extend
only to the buildings, and quitting in ~~[illegible]~~
small guards for the escort of treasure
the ~~expence~~ whole of the Batta will be saved –
9 The hill fort of Shankagherry or
Azeezabad had during the Sultans time
a garrison of Candachar Peons only – the
extreme unhealthiness of the place renders
it impossible for the troops to remain there
it is exceedingly strong – accessible ~~and~~ in
one place only and even then with great
difficulty – I will endeavour the demolition
of the works as effectually and economically as possible – but the hill itself is,
independant of the works, a place that
would be an asylum to any disaffected
party that could get on it –

I have the honor to be
with great respect – Gentlemen –
Yr [illegible]

[illegible]

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(Copied) Robert Woolf Esqr.
Accountant General

Sir

Enclosed I return the Estimate of Probable receipts and disbursements for the Current Month which I trust will be found Correct –

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

Shamalapoorum
28th May 1800 –

Lieutt. Colo. James Innes
&c &c
Dindigul

As I have reason to think from the parties that have been detached from Virupatchee and who have already begun their depredations North of the Pagal by fire & murder – that I shall not be able to give the assistance necessary to keep the peace of the Country and at the same time preserve the treasure &c with me until I can get it into a place of safety — I have to request the favor of you to send me in addition sufficient to make a Subadars guard and with the & Additionals an experienced & steady officer to Command them –

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

Shamalapoorum
near Coimbatoor
28th May 1800 –

(Copied) J. B. Travers Esqr.
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir

I enclose you bill dated 27th May for Str. Pagodas Seventy one thousand and forty seven - fanams six, cash sixty five -
Str. Pagodas - 71047 „ 6. 65 - by the Commercial Resident of Tinnevelly on the Subtreasurer of Fort St. George in favor of Revenue

I am not certain that the mode of drawing the bill is right - as the Accountt. General informed me that "the bills for advances to Paymasters &c to be drawn in favor of the Subtreasurer"

this was noted to Mr. Casamajor but as his draft is in favor of Revenue I apprehend he must have received orders with which I am acquainted -

I am Sir
&c &c
(Signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

Shamalapoorum
May 30th 1800

Lieutt. Coll. Mc.alister
&c &c &c

Sir

the Country is at present under very great alarm from the conduct of the banditti at Sattamenglum

and

and as the spring of this calamity is in the Verapatchee Poligar of Dindigul and the country near him more under the influence of the mania of rebellion I beg the favor of you to send as soon as possible after the receipt of this from twelve to twenty horse under a good Commissioned officers to act either with me or by my order as occasion may require - reporting to you -

I hope this step may bring these silly marauders - to some reflection - if so - we may get have more quiet than from the present unpleasant appearance can be reasonable expected -

Shamalapoorum
30th May 1800
½ past 10 P.M.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

(Copied)

William Petrie Esqr. President
&c Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I am sorry to inform you that the Conduct of Verapatchee is less mysterious than formerly a detachment composed of large, but (in small numbers) left the pollam some days since - crossed the Noyil - and made in attack on the pettah of Sattamungulum -

Captn. Macleod will have inform

your Board of the event - they have read pervanahs (as I am informed) in Khoondiahs name addressed to the Inhabitants directing them in general to join in their cause - particularly the Candachars lately in the service of the Sultaun - and I have great reason to fear among the Poligars over whom Venpatchee) has influence that they will be but too successful -

I have sent to dindegul for an addition to the very small party with me - and I have required from Coimbatore a few horse - the troops however are too few to give what is necessary -

I beg to have a discretionary power to raise peons - not so much with the view of fighting parties with them - as to prevent their forming the present rebellious party - assuring your Board that in the execution of this duty every attention shall be paid to oeconomy - I propose to give every peon one St. Pagoda every duffadar two S Pags. & every Jemedar four St. Pags. - a duf=fadar to every twenty five - a Jemedar to every hundred -

I have found it necessary to issue a proclamation against people carrying arms in the Country - under severe penalties - I beg most earnestly permission may be obtained of Government - that if in falling in with any parties of these bandits

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my people should unhappily make any prisoners I may be allowed to hang them on the spot - as rebels & traitors - I request it as the only means in the present unprotected state of the country - that can tend to keep commotion in check - and as the only sound defence for myself and other Europeans that may be with me - for it is positively certain that lenity to these miscreants or banditti like them is an encouragement to their crimes and is considered by the country in general as the effect of weakness in the Sirkar

I transmit herewith memorandum of additional peons I have ordered - and for the expence of which I beg the sanction of your Board - necessity may require more - but in again promising your Board every exertion of mine shall be used to suppress & overcome the present danger - I beg you will be assured of my rigid attention to a proper becoming and permit that discretionary power that may perhaps render my measures adapted as circumstances may direct - efficient on the whole -

I have the honor to be with great respect -

Gentlemen

&c &c &c

(signed) T.W. Hardis'
Coll^r

South bank of the
Moyil -
May 30th 1800
11 P.M.

	Jemedar	Duffadar	Peons
For Caroor —	"	2.	50
Arwarcourchee —		2..	50
Kangyem —		2.	50
Allagemalla —		2.	50
Darapoor —		2.	50
Shakrashemy —		2.	50
Pulladum —		2.	50
Pellachee —	1.	4.	100
	1.	18.	450.

Shedapallam not included as being near Coimbatoor may thence be protected —

Onellacatta to care in readiness — 1. 4. 100

	Jemedar	Duffs.	Peons	Total
Expence - - -	8..	44.	550.	602

six hundred and two St. Pags monthly expence for the parties at this moment being indispensably necessary are athorised by me —

(signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

Shamalapoorum

11 P. M. 30th May

Dear General

Read the enclosed - and have the goodness to wafer & forward it - by the tappal.

I have officially to request that you will direct the officer commanding Columbum not to consider it his duty to defend the fort for tis not tenable in any shape - but in case of any assembly of insurgents to march with his whole party & try to suppress them and to act on such information as I may send him - if requested - here is in Columbum nothing to defend whatever.

I beg you will let nothing of the enclosed transpire - as many of Tipo Condachar are in and about Trichenopoly - and many rajapoots went from this country to Tanjore all would be glad to see confusion - as the greatest rascals would most likely profit by it.

In case of very great danger I shall require Captn. Mc.ally at Columbum to join - and all the outposts to fall in with him -

the danger is in the concealed

hedition – Despatches since the fall of Puttum has been shifting – and always wrong – my situation & Captn. McLeods are very unpleasant just now – you shall hear every thing from me worth your notice if I do not write – nothing very material has occurred be assured –

very obediently yours

(signed) W. Hurdis.

(Copied) Edward Campbell Esqre.

&c. &c.

Narrov

Sir

Your favor of the 28t. instt. I received yesterday – and from the circumstances mentioned have suspicions that the whole of the business is in collusion with the Poligar of Tanghemy to make out a claim to the Village Cawelly – an ^undefined^ privelege never allowed by the Mussulmany Government – nor sanctioned by ours –

The only chance of recovery, if the property be really stolen – is in the Bramin tracing out the thieves and bringing the proof home – in which on application to the Cachane – he will have every proper assistance –

On all such like occasions in future – I shall be obliged by your referring the parties to the Cachane – whence their own declarations come to me in the regular mode –

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Shamalapoorum

Dear General

When I wrote to you last night it did not occur to me to suggest to you the propriety of deferring the evacuation of Shakragherry for the present – as the rock itself after destroying the works would afford a tolerable good post for Dhoondiahs Banditti –

I think it will be right to destroy all the wall pieces and match locks – old mus=quets &c not worth the expence of conveyance to Dindigul

I am very much afraid matters will be serious – unless very strong and vigorous measures be adopted – the plan of calling together the Candachars – formerly in Tipo's Service is good to create confusion – I had the banditti suc=ceeded at Sattoor Munglum in plundering the treasury – they would have had good means of recruiting followers –

The Verapatchee Poligar is the spring of this calamity – and I am very much afraid the evil should it not be extracted will spread to Madura –

This insidious wretch has been in a sort of correspondence with Dhoon=diah ever since August last – D's emissaries came to Verapatchee 28 Ultmo not a doubt can exist because every information I have

had

from my own people has been corroborated by other and stronger authority –

The want of troops – to protect the country encourages licentiousness and the lenity shewn to people who are positively disaffected induces a repetition of their crimes –

Very obediently yours

(signed) W. Hurdis

May 31st.

Lieut. Coll. McAlister

&c. &c. &c.

Sir

Your favor of yesterday I received about 9 P.M. the Jamidar & party arrived here early this morning –

I feel much obliged by the assistance afforded me – which will I hope enable me to keep peace until Government are pleased to direct measures against the Veerpatchee Poligar –

At present I fear the disturbance will be more to the North of the Noyel – several small parties of five and six in each having left Veerpatchee within these few days – but where they will unite I know not – the Poligar has however met a severe loss in one of chief Sherogars & advisers who died three days since – as I am informed

I mark what you say on the state of the Regt. – your exertions to assist me are on that account more

deserving

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deserving of my thanks - with the arms the men have should they be fortunate enough to fall in with the banditti - I have little doubt but that a proper example will be made -

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Shamalapoorum
1st June 1800

(signed) W. Hurdis
Colr.

(Secret)

Captn. E. M. Gepp
Commg. Carror

Sir

As there is a great probability of commo-tion in the districts - from parties sent from Bala-ghaut - and from the disposition evinced by the Veerpatchee Poligar to support and assist all in his power in furtherance of Confusion -

I have to beg the favor of you to give every possible assistance to the Tahsildar in the event of his application - to suppress any insurrection or commotion in the most effectual manner possible -

I am Sir

&c &c

Shamalapoorum
1st June 1800

(Signed) W. Hurdis
Colr.

(Secret)

Captn. A. McAlly

Commg. Columbum

Sir

As there is a great probability of commotion in the districts from parties sent from Palghaut and from the disposition evinced by the Veropatchee Poligar to support and assist all in his power in furtherance of Confusion -

I have to beg the favor of you to give every possible assistance to the tahseeldar in the event of his application - to suppress any insurrection or commotion in the most effectual manner possible

The Guards usually sent to Sheda-pollam & pulladum - need not be sent this month - they may be discontinued in future until you hear further from me -

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Shamalapoorum
June 1st. 1800

(Signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

Lieut. Thomas Stewart

&c &c

Trechenghoty

Sir

Enclosed I send bill for Vallaida naigue subsistence for the Current Month -

I am Sir

&c &c

Coimbatoor
4t. June 1800

(signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

(Copied) Cecil Smith Esqr.

Civil Auditor

Fort St. George

Sir

Herewith I have the honor of sending my accounts for May 1800 with authorities for the credits taken — I trust they will be found right. should however error have crept in or mistake in execution of your orders with respect to form — have occurred may I beg the favor of you to correct it on the present accounts and return them as the form you may wish observed —

I have the honor to be

Coimbatoor
5th June 1800

&c &c

(signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

(Copied) J. V. Travers Esqr.

&c &c &

Sir

Herewith you will receive the Register of bills for May. Return of troops for do. and demand Collection and Balance — the latter I beg the favor of you to hand over to the accountt. General

I am Sir &c &c

signed W. Hurdis

(Copied) William Petrie Esq.re President
&c Members of the
Revenue Board

Gentlemen

My letter of the 20th Ult.o will have informed your Board of the first insurrection from Verupatchee - and from Capt.n McLeod of Salem - your Board will understand the consequences -

2 — Three parties on the 21st Ult.o issued from Veerupatchee - one under the command of Hawker Jaun of Annamoorchee - & Futtoh Mahomed formerly havildar of Ootsoor and a Native of Sankery droog - the number with them were few - they had received money from Chinnan from their chief for recruiting -

3 - The second under command of Tonoum Mah Cawn - formerly havildar of Settrapatty in this district went to Chinna Dorasoor - & Kanygeon

they had received money for the same purpose -

4 - The third was under the command of Mahomed Hashem former by a mitdar of Delhi - consisting of himself and six Mussulmans - and were taking their journey to Coimbatore for the execution of one of the most diabolical purposes ever heard of -

5 - Of the issue of these parties but not of the names of the commanders I had intimation on the 1st inst. - - these are the principals with Chownan Force from Dhoonchiah -

6 - Informed Captn. Macleod on the 1st of the parties going from Viragatchee - and requested my orders to ute within the

range of my authority

7 — several of the Imsthadars of the former Condachar — (I had been advised) have gone to Verupatchee — by means of their knowledge of the Villages in which the peons resided — They had assembled in different parties nearly all the Condachar of Dini-poor & Shalcraghery —

8 — Intimation of this reached me before the parties left Verupatchee but I could not trace the assembly altho' I never doubted it — Lt Col. McAlister having sent me fifteen horse — I was rather desirous that the miscreants should make an attempt not doubting but that the party with me would do them perfect justice

9 — On the 2nd inst: I had the good fortune to make prisoners of all Mahomed Hashams party — Men capable of any deed of

dispositions — and determinedly solely on ~~their~~ intentions or ~~false~~ in declaring them —

~~10~~ —

10 — Durapuram was threatened with an attack by these people on the night of the 4th May — early on the morning of the 5th I arrived there two Musulmans one a Chubdar of the late Sultans and the other ~~a~~ common peon were brought to me prisoners — they told me they had been hired by Mahomed ~~Hashum~~ & Chinnam Jose — for the purpose of plunder in the Company's territory and that protected by Pedapaleker they were levying peons for that purpose — that their wages not being regularly ~~they~~ paid they had left them —

11 — — Suspicion of more than ~~they had~~ declared attaching to these people — I confined them —

left such orders for security of the
cashiers &c — as I thought necessary —
and went on to Pallachi

12 — — On comparing the declaration
of these men — with what Mahomed
Hashim & his party said — particu-
larly names — I found they correspond-
ed — and that I had been so fortunate
as to secure the most desperate of
the banditti — their obstinacy hav-
-ing prevented direct discovery, I
therefore sent for the Chuckler Sheer
from Daraporam to Identify
their persons —

13th — ~~On the~~ The night of the 2nd
I went to Coimbatore — (having
business at Perroor a very short
distance from thence) — I found
there a very serious alarm — arising
from information of the conductors
having risen to the number of between
5 & six hundred with an intention

of murdering the unarmed troopers
during the celebration of the Moham=
=rem – Lt Col McAlister's vigilance
seized on the leader present with
them and stayed the alarm – on the
morning of the 4th. I found from the
Tohseeldar of Coimbatore that the
Condathan had waited to be joined
by Mahomed Hashan & his people
with him
himself were to have been the
leader in this horrid business
the vigilance of Lt Col McAlister &
which but for his previous capture
there is every reason to suppose my
have had very fatal consequences –
6th. – Returning from Coimbatore
I found the two Mussulmans arrived
I repeatedly examined them to the
person seized – they identified
ah – the confidential servant
of Mahomed Hashan – then

declared he would shew every thing
he knew — the substance of which is
"that Mohamed Hathan, [amidst a ... of letters going from Jenne] joined Dhaoudeak
"in the Woonda Country — that Chinna
"fow — Fattee Mohammed & Zonoun Oha
"Cawn — ~~and Mohamed Hathan~~ were
"with Dhaoudeak — who directed the
"three Mussulmans to place themselves
"under the direction of Chinna
"fow —

15 — "That Dhaoudeak wrote to
"all the chief Jowes below the Ghaut
"gave them the letters and sent them
"off — that they then left Dhaoudeak
"and after much fatigue arrived
"in the Ramlatchee pokan at
"Beriawtha"

16 — "That the Ramlatchee Poly
"sent a message to them at that
"place importing ~~that~~ if they bro
"a letter to him from Dhaoudeak
"they were welcome if not —
"not — that the Jowe in reply

"said they had a letter from Dhoondiah
"for him — but that hearing the Sikar
"people made strict search, to prevent
"discovery they had destroyed it —

17 — "That the Vencatigherry Polygar
"then invited the three Mussulmen,
"and their chief into the Jaghidary
"they went & received every attention
"that the four then required money
"of the Polygar for the service of the
"Sikar — and gave the Polygar a
"discharge for the performance
"of it — that the Polygar promised to
"send it to them

18 — "That Mahomed Harloon wanting
"money sold ~~his~~ one Horse & two colts
"to the Polygar for two hundred &
"fifty rupees — with which he subsist
"ed twelve of his own followers —
"five of whom were with him now
"and the others in Vencatigherry —"

19 — From To the evidence of this servant I hoped to find corroboration from the Master — and intended examining him this morning — expecting to learn not only what he had done himself — but the combination that might have been made by Veerapatcher with other Poligars

20 — About three A.M. on the 8th the Subedar of the guard reported awoke me & reported that Mahomed Khan had cut his own throat — I directed all the assistance the Village doctor could give — but he died without speaking soon after day break — and prevented me the discovery of those atrocious acts I had hoped to have distinctly from his confession — he was in irons —

21 — From the remaining prisoners I can not learn whether the intended Assembly at Coimbatoor was plan-ned at Veerapatcher or not — but I have reason to think it was from understanding that a conda[illegible]

them assembly had been called there & from not being able to trace either its assembly in numbers, or its dispersion

22 — Captn. Macleod will probably inform your Board on the Coimbatore business — I am happy to say that two of the four parties are now ~~completely~~ nearly crushed — to completely ~~annihilate~~ to destroy them is in my opinion necessary to the safety ~~of~~ of the country — to this my most ardent exertions will be directed —

23 — the knowledge obtained of other parts of this band of Mis:creants with those enable me in event of their coming into my own range of authority to ~~restore~~ ~~to them~~ establish the peace of the districts by their destruction — but your Board must permit me again to observe — that the existence of Vemplatchie is incompatible with the peace of the country — and his person is

now so much increased that the detachment with him must be in every respect efficient. —

24 — As Captn. Macleod will doubtless have sent copy of Dhoondiah's phirmaun:nah ~~to your Board~~ I shall not now trouble your Board with it. The agent of Veerapatchee to ~~Dh~~ Dhoondiah (Emmaukee Naick) I have not yet been able to ~~find~~ trace —

25th — As the service requires it they [illegible] a discretionary power to disburse money for intelligence & trifling rewards for good conduct — upon honor — assuring your Board that every proper economy shall be strictly attended to —

I have the honor to be
with great respect &c
Gentlemen
Your very obedt
humble Servt

[illegible] Limit of
The Royal
[illegible] 8th 1800 —

(Copied) William Jones Esq.re
Subtreasurer &c. &c.

Sir

Herewith I send bill No. 2 dated the 6th June for St. Pagodas 11000.— (eleven thousand) by the Madura Paymaster on the Military Paymaster General in favor of Revenue.

I beg the favor of an acknowledgement —

I am Sir
your very obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Hardis
Collr.

Teroopoor
June 10th.

~~William Petrie Esq.re President~~
~~2d Member of the~~
~~Board of Revenue~~

~~Gentlemen~~

(Copied)

Robert Woolf Esqre

accountant General

&c. &c.

Sir

Herewith I have the pleasure of sending my accounts for your office for the previous month –

Should they not be of the form you may wish – I will be obliged by your rectifying them & returning them to me for my future guidance –

I would not require this trouble of you – was it not that the present state of my districts renders it impossible for me to go to Dindegul to instruct my writers – and without shewing them all minutely – I have little chance of either setting or keeping them right

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(signed) W. Hurdis

Collr.

Teropoor

11th June 1800

(Copied)

Robert Woolf Esqre

&c. &c. &c.

Sir

I have the pleasure of sending the estimate of of Probable balance of Cash on hand on the 1st July which I hope will be found correct in form –

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(signed) W. Hurdis

Teropoor

11th June 1800

(Copied)

William Petrie Esq.re President
&c. members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

Accompanying I have the honor to send the estimate of Tuccavy required for the Dindigul & Conquered districts under my management

- 2 - The account has been made up from the regular demand of each individual and from actual enquiry into the state of his circumstances.

3 - The account may appear large but when the three years of scarcity previous to 1209 Fusly are considered - and the murrain among the cattle during the last year which

has greatly reduced the
number of ploughs & is
indeed the chief cause
of bankruptcy among
the Ryots — the amount
is less than I had expected
would have been expe[illegible]

2. — the advances made
on account of 1209 — are
collected wholly to the
extent due — and the
land revenue to the
fullest extent due is
collected — if the country
be kept quiet until
the 28th inst. I have every
reason to hope that
I shall have made a
perfect & clear collection
of this head of my
settlement — the land
[illegible] the Polygar's [illegible]
due until the 19th July —

5. — accompanying I
have also the honor of
sending my abstract esti-
=mate

of Tank &c.a repairs
required in the differ.nt
talooks of the provin.ce
under my management
6 – of the amount estima-
ted for Dindygal the great
part is to prevent the
cultivation falling off
from what it is – it
includes no direct
new work – but if
executed to the extent
required will bring an
increase of cultivation
affording to ....
an augmentation of
the [illegible] of
four thousand
Chuccrams ....
~~[illegible]~~
~~the~~
7 – The same obser-
vation applies to the
estimate for the conquered
countries – only that
there is greater necessity
for the works to be
[illegible] on – because

no attention appears to have
been paid to them for near
forty years past -

8 - of these works however
about three parts in four
of the present estimate
are directly necessary -
and the probable increase
in the preservation of
the present cultivation
and on the extension
~~of it~~ to Lands that
are neglected in conse
quence of the want of
these repairs is about
twelve thousand Canteray
chuckrums - as follows

	C.Ch. f. c
from Circar -	4157. 6. 2

~~This estimate is on the a tract of land equal to about 1167 - Cawnies~~

~~from Circar~~

9 ~~the~~ The Estimate
increase from ~~further~~ ~~Circar~~
extended cultivation

in Circar -	4157 . 6 . 2
Enamcawny	704 . 1 . 2
Darasoor	3261 . 9 . -

Mysomolle - 119.3.7
Chakrapheny - 580.5 -
Congeeu - 1195.4.4.
Palladun - 670.2
Chedapoleur 486.3.12
Pallachie - 750 - -

Deostanaum 273.8 -

total 12001-5-11

10 — In the details to the abstracts I have taken the greatest care to provide against every demand - by placing every expence at what I conceive the utmost - so that I hope with much reason that the work may be done for much less than the estimate the cost of each however [illegible] specifically appear

by Debiting the Amount
estimate on each seperate
tank bridge or Anicut
and crediting the dis
bursements thereon –

11 — Your Board
may perhaps consider
the sum large – but
I have reason to think
the advantages from
it will infinitely
compensate the disburse
-ment – the details I
have not been able to
translate. – but they
shall be sent so soon
as possible –

12 — I have taken
on myself to begin
the repairs on
the tanks of Mulkh[illegible]
that will be affecte[d]
by the Malabar
Monsoon – the ~~lay~~ new lay[ing] of
the Anicuts must be
deferred until Augus[t]

I have the hon[our]
[illegible]

respect –

Gentlemen
your very obedient
humble Servt

Ferozpoor
12th June
1840

(Copied) William Petrie Esqre President
&c members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen –

Since that the honor of addressing you on the 8th inst: few the particulars of the intentions of the banditti have transpired –

2 – — I have been so fortunate as to take another prisoner of Mahomed Hatham party – from him I have discovered the place in which the late Laird an of Zekha Pinty with some of his adherents were concealed at his leaving there – the necessary orders have been despatched I hope success will be the result.

3 — Of the defeated party at Sulla mungalum several were taken in the Tutl-malle district — and on them were found Dhoondiahs letters as dressed — as follows

1st to Varanavathee Gown — of Eroad
2nd to Sheva-mala Gown of Karryur
3rd to Appaya Gown of Paramatty
4th to Ellu Naique of Paramatty
5th to Veera Gown of Arravacourchee
6th — to Chinna tomby Gown
Colastry Gown
Tekkana Gown
Marcanna Gown — of Eroad

7th to Ram Chunder Naique of Shendamung...
8th to Lersha Naique Naique of Cunudoor
9th to Shomondore — Polygar
Whare Gown — of Pittachee
Della Polygar
Rama Pattam Polygar Ercheli Gown and all the Polygars of Tinnevelly

4 — For this information I am

[ad]dressed to Capt. Macleod — every person addressed save No. 1 & 8 — are in the districts under me — I have taken measures to prevent (if possible) these people creating confusion —

5 — — Mahomed Husham had several letters with him but had destroyed them — I found nothing on him save a few cakes & two rupees — the whole of the money belonging to the party was twenty six rupees — which I desired them to keep —

6 — — Of the letters found on the men taken in Fullmullah — four only (from No 1 to 4) were opened — the seals of the others were not broken — but there is no proof with me that all addressed are not implicated — and that, tho' they apparently got not the letters, they were not well acquainted with the contents

7 — I rather suppose the letters to Jound had been presented — & that they with the real Polygar subtilty were determined to act as opportunity might favor — the conduct of Debi ~~favor~~ corroborates this opinion —

8 — Your Board will conceive my situation to be particularly unpleasant — and will, I hope, not think me too presuming if I request a discretionary power of apprehension over ~~the~~ Polygars in my districts — ~~in respect to~~ they ~~are~~ to repeat my assurances that the utmost caution & circumspection shall be used in the execution of this duty — but at the same time I hope your Board will be pleased to request of Government that I may be authorized to use ~~such~~ all the measures noted in my letter of the 20th May should necessity require them —

9 — I enclose translations of the declarations of the parties with

Mohamed Hathou - Tehu on the 2nd inst: — by which your Board will see, the Coimbatore flour was laid in correspondence from Coimbatore — at Bee-Lobikee

I have the honor to be with great respect —

Gentlemen

Your very obed servt

humble Servt

Teropoor
13th June
1800

Terapoor 14th June

Dear General

I have recommended that the troops in Colcum=bum be allowed batta — and that no barracks be erected there or any other accomodation — considering that the whole would be useless if the Veerapatchee Paligar be — (as he ought to be) extirpated —

But as Darapooram is centrical to the districts under me — and as it is intended I believe to have every office there — I have recommended the building barracks — as a cantonment for three Companies — the

expence

expence of which will be less than one years batta to the present out parties – and infinitely better on every account –

We are yet unquiet – but have now found out all the implicated parties – & had it happened that Dhoondiees letters had reached them the commotion would have been very serious –

All the servants of the late Sultan are engaged in the business – for which their local knowledge particularly fits them – but as we are now on the right scent we shall I hope hunt them properly down –

As the conduct of Venpatchee cannot but induce Govt. to take the surest mode of preventing his activity in future – I think it likely that you will receive intimation of their intentions – of the which as far as may consistent I will thank you to apprize me that I may not be behind in preparation of such necessaries as may ultimately fall to be provided by me

Very obediently yours

(signed) W. B. Hardie

&c. &c. &c. —

Sir,

As my own intelligence implicating the Chinna Murdoo — with other Polygars in correspondence with Dhoondiah has been so confirmed as to place the matter beyond all doubt — by information corroborative received from Captn. Macleod Collector of Salem — and as the chief points necessary to complete conviction are a full knowledge of the names of the Murdoo's principal minister & Voysams — I beg the favor of You to find out their Names and send me a List of them — and also to direct the enquiries of Your Confidential Hircarrahs to the ascertainment of the names & cast of those emissaries — of both the Murdoo & Verapatchee — who are now, and have been passing and repassing from each to the other — most secretly since November last. — I conceive it to be of the utmost importance to have every intelligence whatever from thence and therefore take the liberty of requesting that some of Your Hircarrahs may always be in the Pollam and at the Rajadanny & regularly Relieved. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

...h Bank of the Moyel
...e 15th 1800 —

(Copied) Edward Campbell Esqr.

Nevoor -

Sir

In consequence of express & positive orders from the Board of Revenue dated the 10th inst. I have directed the tahseeldar of Caroor to apprehend and send to the Collector of Salem the person of Velloo Moodelly said to be your Dubash and imposed to be an accomplice in a forgery -

The orders to the tahseeldar are pointed and strong and should the before mentioned Velloo Moodelly have left your service I beg the favor of you to inform me where you suppose he may be found -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(signed) W. Hurdis
Collr.

Tenpoor
17 June 1800

(Copied) Captn. William McLeod

&c. &c. &c.

Sir

In compliance with the enclosed order of the Board of Revenue - Talloo modelly has been apprehended and sent with the letter to the Salem Cacharee - copy whereof is enclosed for your information -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Kangyem

21st June 1800

(signed) T. B. Hurdis Collr.

My dear Sir

I have your letters public and private of the 19th and regret ~~with~~ your distress the more as it is out of my power to give you the least assistance whatever

you had in my public letter all I know of the matter - save the account you wrote me some time since -

What Government may intend in the business I know not - but I hope as you are so convinced of his Innocence that if not implicated seriously he may be released -

I shall forward your letter to the Board by this days tappal - and you may be assured if it be in my power to be of service - I will -

With

With kind Salam to Mrs. Campbell

I am my dear Sir

Very sincerely yours

Kangyem

21st June

1800

(signed) W. Hurdis

(Copied) J. B. Travers Esqr.

Secy. to the

Board of Revenue

Sir

In obedience to the orders contained in your letter of the 10th instt. - the enclosed copy of letter from Mr. Campbell will inform you of the arrest of Velloo moodelly his dubash -

I am Sir

Kangyem

your obedient Servant

21st June 1800.

(signed) W. Hurdis

collr.

(Copied) Cecil Smith Esqr.

Civil auditor

Sir

&c. &c.

your letter of the 16th instt. I have this moment received - and in consequence transmit you copy of my letter to the Board on the subject -

I beg to suggest to you the propriety of taking

the

the Copies of the authorities for the Credits taken in my accounts - sent to you with my May account under date June 5th from Coimbetoor to the Revenue office that being examined with the records in the revenue office the dimtary may put his signature thereto - and thereby prevent further trouble both to your department & mine -

I am Sir

Kangyem
21st June 1800

&c. &c.
(signed) W. B. Hurdis
Collr.

Postscript

It has occurred to me that the last English Writer in my Cacharee is not named in the Mogen=
=Zabitah - this is because he has not yet been to Dindigul having joined me from Madras - his name is James Bowman - he succeeded Soobroy who succeeds Soobiah discharged

(signed) W. B. Hurdis

(Copied)

William Petrie Esqre President
&c Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

accompanying I have the honor of trans=
=mitting copy of letter from the Civil Auditor (A) and
copy of my answer thereto (B) -

2 As mentioned in my answer under date
5th inst. with my accounts were sent copies of the
authorities for the credits taken - but as it is necessary
that the signature of the Secretary should establish
the Voucher I beg leave to request that the Secretary
to your Board be directed to comply with the
suggestion contained in my letter to the Civil
Auditor - for the reason therein assigned -

I have the honor to be with
great respect
Gentlemen
&c &c &c
(signed) T.B. Hurdis
Collr.

Kangyem
2nd June 1800 -

SPECIALLY MADE FOR
KEWALRAM'S
MADRAS
MADE IN JAPAN

Copied)

Stephen Lushington Esqr.

&c &c &c

Sir

I send copy of letter from Marengha-poory — the parties under my authority shall be sent to you whenever you advise me of your wish to have them — that justice may be done.

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Kangyem
24th June 1800

(signed) W.B. Hurdis
Collr.

Copied)

Richard Yeldham Esqr.

&c &c &c

Sir

Enclosed I transmit letter from the Collector of Southern Peishcush with an enclosure from Joffer Cawn — to the contents of which I am as much a stranger as Mr. Lushington — but as your name is therein mentioned I deemed it right to forward it to your address —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Kangyem
26th June 1800

(signed) W.B. Hurdis

Ans^d Rec^d
P^d 10 July 1800
See Pag 53

(Copied)

J. B. Travers Esqre

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Sir

1 — Your letter of the 21st June I have this morning only received —

2 — Mr. Deputy Accountant Read once called on me for a Statement of the weights and measures used in the districts under me — the account I am yet unable to send — in consequence of the many different sorts & sizes that are in use — every village having ^almost its Marcal Puddy & Bulla —

3 — I know of no objection to an attempt being made to introduce the Madras Standards in these districts — but as a change may affect the trade to the Malabar coast — I should wish to know what the general standard is in that quarter — that in recommending the intended standard to the use of the Merchants I may

be prepared to answer all their objections

4 — Objections they certainly will urge but they will be more strong or weak as they may find how far their interests may have been considered in the adoption of this measure — and how far it may appear to them that its efficiency is understood by the Collector

5 — I could wish the Board would be pleased to direct the Pattern of Prop weights to be sent to me — properly marked — and the Measure — of Mad Measure stamped also — the finer see above — — a full set of the smaller weights & measures will be necessary that others may be made therefrom for the use of such merchants as may require them —

6 —— I hope the Board are assured of my attention to & perseverance in every object of consequence to the country — I do not apprehend (nor am I disposed to see it) a difficulty [in] the introduction

of the proposed Standard on the Ser-
tetooks – but I can not be answer
for the innovation being effected on
Pohams most particularly on Brah
and those influenced by that ca
who ~~[illegible]~~ shew a profession
dience only to the Sirkar Order

I am Sir
Your obedient Ser

Darapooram
July 1st 1800

F.W.

Lieut. T. Stewart
Fort adjutant
Trichinopoly

Sir

Enclosed I have the pleasure of sending
for the subsistence of Vellaida naigue for the cur
Month —

I am Sir
your very obedient se

Darapoorum
2nd July 1800

(signed) W. Bur
colo

Lieut. [illegible] Innes

&c. &c. &c.

Sir

I beg the favor of you to send with all convenient expedition a strong guard to escort treasure [fr]om hence to the Dindigul Cacharee the treasure [wi]ll be sent in a tumbril sealed –

Sixteen batta bills from you & Lieut. Macleod on being presented at the Cacharee they will be paid –

The pay & batta for the sepoys this Month on duty with me I have to request may be sent from Dindigul with any person from you to pay it –

I would have detached from the party with me a strong guard for the treasure – but as the conduct of Verupatchee is daily more & more suspicious – I do not think it prudent to weaken the means with me –

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

[illegible] (signed) W. Hunter

Colt.

[illegible] July 1800

(Copy)

Cecil Smith Esqr.

Civil Auditor

Sir

Herewith I transmit my accounts for your departm[ent] for June the authorities for the credit were sent with [the] previous months accounts from Coimbatoor under da[te] 5th ult.

I have the honor to be

(signed) [illegible]